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Subject	: More Grand Mufti Activities	Report Number	: RLB-1726
Place Acquired	: Beirut, Lebanon	Date of Information	: Current
Evaluation	: B-3	Date Acquired	: 7 Dec 1949
Source	: []	Date of Report	: 8 Dec 1949

1. Source states that the Grand Mufti is strengthening his position in the Middle East with the funds he recently received.* He has sent out word that the two immediate objectives for his group are strong security and an intensive propaganda campaign to win followers.
2. Source learned through an unnamed Arab Higher Committee contact that the Grand Mufti, in speaking of security in Egypt, had made the statement that every pasha there had been bought by Israeli money and that none could be trusted.
3. He has instructed the Beirut Higher Committee to cease efforts to murder Fawzi QAWUQJI, stating that there were more important things to be done.**
4. Source says that it is known in Arab Higher Committee circles that the governor (mayor) of Nablus,*** one of the strong men in the Arab world because of his resistance to Communism and his refusal to permit King 'ABDALLAH to take control of Nablus, has offered his support to the Grand Mufti through an intermediary.

delivered by King Fawzi

Field Notes:

- * See RLB-1721.
- ** See RLB-1629.
- *** The name of the Mayor of Nablus is undecipherable in the report.

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